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Transmitted herewith is a response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on May 17, 2004.

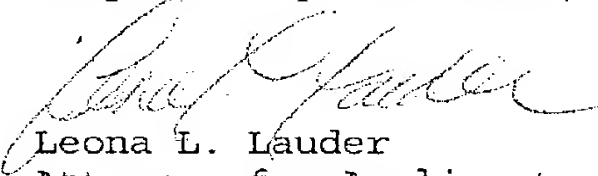
No fee should be required for the accompanying response. The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

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Sir:

This Amendment to the above-identified application is in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on May 17, 2004. Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment After Final be entered in accordance with

37 CFR § 116(a) and with the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) §§ 714.12 and 714.13.

Applicants respectfully submit that the instant Amendment After Final does not raise any new issues and presents the rejected claims "in condition for allowance." [MPEP § 714.12.] Detailed reasoning supporting the absence of any new issues and the allowability of the claims as amended follows below after the Remarks section. The Remarks section explains the corrections of a couple of proofreading/typographical errors in the Specification and clearly elucidates support in the Specification for the amendments to the claims. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment After Final be entered, and that the claims as amended be allowed.